

METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR REPLACING CUTTING
IMPLEMENT IN SEVERING MACHINES

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1 Apparatus for replacing spent and/or damaged knives
2 with fresh knives in a machine wherein semifinished rod-
3 shaped smokers' products are converted into cigarettes,
4 filter mouthpieces or the like employs a knife holder,
5 a locking device which can releasably clamp a knife in
6 the holder, a preferably automated system for temporarily
7 deactivating the locking device in order to allow for
8 removal of a spent knife, and a conveyor system for
9 introduction of a fresh knife into the holder subsequent
10 to removal of the spent knife and prior to renewed activa-
11 tion of the locking device.